Arkansas

Broiler Hatchery

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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 1 Percent from Last Year

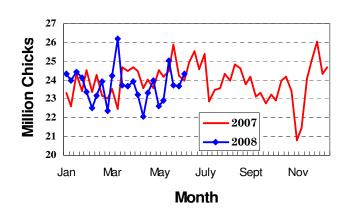
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 24.3 million during the week ending June 14, 2008. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2007, and up 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 26.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 14, 2008, down 8 percent from the same period last year, and down 2 percent from the previous week.

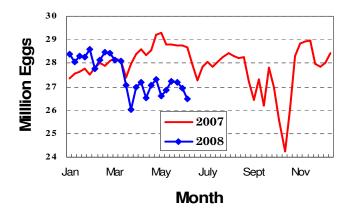
		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set				
Week			% of			% of		
Ending ¹	2007	2008	Prev. Year	2007	2008	Prev. Year		
	Tho	usand		Thousand				
May 10	24,537	22,615	92	29,294	26,611	91		
May 17	24,188	22,940	95	28,818	26,852	93		
May 24	24,471	25,035	102	28,790	27,244	95		
May 31	25,876	23,748	92	28,778	27,203	95		
June 7	24,238	23,671	98	28,755	26,918	94		
June 14	24,001	24,333	101	28,691	26,473	92		

¹ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2007-2008



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2007-2008



^{*} Revised in current week

Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, May 17, 2008 - June 14, 2008

	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed Week Ending					
	Week Ending											
State	17-May	24-May	31-May	7-Jun	14-Jun	%1/	17-May	24-May	31-May	7-Jun	14-Jun	% 1/
	Thousand					Thousand						
Aabama	32,664 *	32,510 *	32,731 *	32,740 *	31,828	102	21,700 *	22,280 *	21,497 *	22,140 *	22,333	109
Arkansas	26,852	27,244	27,203	26,918	26,473	92	22,940	25,035	23,748	23,671	24,333	101
Delaware	3,728	3,717	3,721	3,718	3,714	89	4,321	4,949	5,206	5,127	4,527	90
Florida	1,341	1,336	1,346	1,341	1,341	100	1,138	1,136	1,383	1,146	1,136	83
Georgia	34,848	34,509	34,004	34,119 *	34,143	97	28,094	28,981	28,993	29,052	27,910	97
Kentucky	8,078 *	8,317 *	8,168	8,171 *	7,796	100	5,431	6,158	6,071 *	6,492	6,603	105
Louisiana	3,650	3,682	3,620	3,651	3,642	93	3,634	3,474	3,683	3,794	3,742	99
Maryland	8,796	8,771	8,601	8,976 *	8,358	93	5,712	6,008	5,602	5,939	6,291	101
Mississippi	19,060	18,948	18,981	19,074	18,930	99	17,383	16,614	17,259	17,348	17,262	99
N. Carolina	19,693	19,413 *	19,577	19,263	19,158	98	16,120	16,087	16,076	16,047	16,014	100
Oklahoma	7,523	7,243 *	7,204	7,342	7,216	104	5,136	3,883	4,608	4,802	4,917	93
Pennsylvania	4,405	4,442	4,592 *	4,588 *	4,580	112	3,254	3,261	3,191 *	3,362	3,410	114
S. Carolina	5,718	5,556	5,490	5,769	5,260	97	4,997	4,618	4,756	4,726	5,494	109
Texas	15,467	15,485	15,599	15,778	15,899	104	12,851	12,523	12,416	12,990	13,149	102
Virginia	6,429	6,257	6,242	6,199	6,476	100	5,113	4,976	4,858	5,202	5,287	103
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,889	19,723	19,840	20,058 *	20,001	103	18,027	17,249	17,659	18,141	16,780	89
19 State Total	218,141 *	217,153 *	216,919 *	217,705 *	214,815		175,851 *	177,232 *	177,006 *	179,979 *	179,188	
Prev. Year Total	219,938	219,527	218,990	219,184	217,590		178,545	179,069	180,055	180,462	179,754	
% of Prev. Year	99	99	99	99	99		98	99	98	100	100	

^{*} Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 14, 2008. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 179 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 14, 2008. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through June 14, 2008 were 4.28 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

^{1/} Current week as percent of the same week last year.